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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Via Zoom

THURSDAY, JUNE 17, 2021

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Establish a Quorum

Commissioner Schmeding called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m.

Commissioners Present: Marcy Adelman, Joaquin Anguera, Kim Carr, Ellen Schmeding

Commissioners Absent: Sedalia Sanders, Rita Saenz

Staff: Karol Swartzlander, Carol Sewell, Marcella Villanueva

Guests: None

A quorum was established.

2. Approve Agenda

M/S/C (Carr/Anguera)

TO APPROVE THE JUNE 17, 2021 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AGENDA.

APPROVED

3. Approve Minutes of May 21, 2021, Executive Committee and Legislative Advocacy Joint Committee Meeting

M/S/C (Carr/Anguera)

TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MAY 21, 2021 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING.

APPROVED

4. Public Comment

None

5. Ratify Recommendations from the June 15, 2021 Legislative Advocacy Committee Meeting

a. Caregiving

a. [AB-123](#)– Gonzalez. Paid family leave; weekly benefit amount
Legislative Advocacy Committee recommendation: **Support with recommendation for amendments to cap PFL payments (for high income earners) and/or a tiered payment system that favors low-income earners (90%) and a lower rate for high-income earners (80%).**

b. Telehealth

a. [AB-32](#)– Aguiar-Curry. Telehealth

Legislative Advocacy Committee recommendation: Support, urging the author to consider the needs of older adults with technology/broadband issues.

b. [AB-457](#)– Santiago. Protection of Patient Choice in Telehealth Provider Act

Legislative Advocacy Committee recommendation: Support with recommended amendment to require telehealth providers who believe a patient would benefit from an in-person visit to make a direct referral to the patient’s primary care physician.

c. [SB-371](#)– Caballero. Health Information Technology

Legislative Advocacy Committee recommendation: Support

c. Elder Justice

a. [AB 1194](#) – Low. Conservatorship

Legislative Advocacy Committee recommendation: Support

b. [AB 1243](#) – Rubio. Elder and Dependent Adult Protective Orders

Legislative Advocacy Committee recommendation: Support

d. Housing/Residential Care

a. [AB 499](#) – Rubio. RCFE Referral requirements

Legislative Advocacy Committee recommendation: OPPOSE due to concerns regarding the lower standards of proof for inappropriate placements and the requirement that lawsuits must be filed by the DA.

b. [AB 1422](#) – Gabriel. Nurse-to-Patient ratios

Legislative Advocacy Committee recommendation: No Position

c. [SB 707](#) - Cortese. Continuing care contracts

Legislative Advocacy Committee recommendation: Support

e. Workforce

a. [SB-40](#)– Hurtado. Health Care workforce development: California Medicine Scholars

Legislative Advocacy Committee recommendation: Support with concerns that insufficient California medical school slots will force students out of state for medical school; program graduates should be prioritized for loan repayment programs to encourage them to return to California to practice.

b. [SB 441](#) – Hurtado. Health care workforce training programs; geriatric medicine
Legislative Advocacy Committee recommendation: Support with recommendation for amendments to include gerontology and social workers.

- **Public comment**
None

- **Vote to ratify recommendations.**

M/S/C (Carr/Adelman)

**TO RATIFY THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE JUNE 15, 2021 LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY COMMITTEE MEETING.
APPROVED**

6. Executive Committee Serves as Nominating Committee to Fill Executive Committee Vacancy

Chair Schmeding postponed the development of the slate and requested Swartzlander poll for an election be held in July. No action taken.

- a. **Review Nominations Received**
- b. **Develop Slate Recommendations**
- c. **Action**

7. Update: California’s Home and Community-Based Services Spending Plan Proposal

Chair Schmeding and Swartzlander will provide an HCBS spending plan update at the June 25th Commission meeting. CCoA submitted recommendations that the plan include support for direct care worker stipends, clinical workforce training and for Home and Community-Based infrastructure development.

8. Discuss topics for September and November General Meetings

Swartzlander reviewed possible topics for the September and November meetings. The September meeting will be held via Zoom with the possibility of an in-person meeting in November.

9. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.